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In re Application of:)
Alan L. GREENER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1636
Application No.: 08/846,996) Examiner: Bronwen LOEB
Filed: May 1, 1997)
For: HIGHLY TRANSFORMABLE)
BACTERIAL CELLS AND)
METHODS FOR PRODUCING)
THE SAME)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

DECLARATION REGARDING DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

I do hereby declare and state that:

1. On information and belief, the strain of *Escherichia coli* XL10-GOLD was deposited on April 28, 1997 at the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Rockville, MD, USA, now located at Manassas, VA, USA. The accession number for that deposit is ATCC No. 55962. On information and belief, that deposit was made under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure and Regulations.

2. Upon issuance of a patent from the above-identified patent application, or from continuation applications thereof, all restrictions on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed.

3. The undersigned further declares that all statements made herein on her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this document or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 8/19/03

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